III. Remarks on The Amendment to the Specification

The Brief Description of the Drawings section of the specification has been amended to comply with the "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers" as well as for compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)(iv) in view of the Petition to accept color drawings filed herewith. No new matter has been added.

IV. FEES

According to the Action, a two month shortened statutory period was set for response. Accordingly, a petition and fee for a one-month extension of time to respond to this restriction requirement has been submitted with this response. Thus, the due date for response should now be on or before September 13, 2005. Additionally, authorization to charge the appropriate fees for consideration of the Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) or 1.84 (b)(2) can be found in said petition. Accordingly, it is believed that no additional fees are due for consideration of this submission. If however, The Office determines that a fee is due, authorization is hereby granted to charge any required fee associated with the filing or proper consideration of this paper to Deposit Account 01-2213 (Order No. BP9804US-CN1).

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